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Re: Utility Patent Application Transmittal

Inventor(s): Ami Chand, Kevin Kjoller, Kenneth Babcock, and Michael Harris Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANIPULATING A SAMPLE

Attorney Docket No.: 1067.066

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a United States patent application which includes 62 pages of specification, 73 total claims, 1 Abstract of the Disclosure, 25 sheets of informal drawings (size 8 ½ x. 11), an executed Declaration and an executed Assignment to Veeco Instruments Inc.

Our checks (2) in the amount of \$2,624.00 for the filing fee plus the \$40.00 assignment recording fee are enclosed. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 14-1080 for any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to this account.

Respectfully submitted.

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